

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 317

Introduced by Assembly Member Solorio

February 18, 2009

An act relating to postsecondary education.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 317, as introduced, Solorio. Postsecondary education: textbook affordability.

Existing law establishes the California Community Colleges, under the administration of the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, the California State University, under the administration of the Trustees of the California State University, and the University of California, under the administration of the Regents of the University of California, as the 3 segments of public postsecondary education in this state.

Existing law expresses the finding and declaration of the Legislature that the production and pricing of college textbooks deserves a high level of attention from educators and lawmakers because they impact the quality and affordability of higher education. Existing law requires the Trustees of the California State University and the Board of Governors of the California Community Colleges, and requests the Regents of the University of California, among other things, to require college and university bookstores to work with the academic senates of each respective campus to pursue prescribed policies aimed at making textbooks more affordable for students.

This bill would express the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that will make textbooks more affordable for California college students.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. It is the intent of the Legislature to enact
- 2 legislation that will make textbooks more affordable for California
- 3 college students.